

SULTAN HINTS AT MASSACRE.

THREAT AGAINST CHRISTIANS IN HIS NOTE TO THE POWERS.

Paris Not Responsible for Consequences of Demand for Macedonian Reforms Is Pressed—Fleet Not Yet Under Way—Austria May Be Asked to Send Troops

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Nov. 24.—Although diplomats are not surprised at the Porte's refusal of the demands of the Powers, the tenor of the reply has made a bad impression, inasmuch as it concluded by saying that if the Powers increased their pressure for the purpose of compelling the acceptance of their demands, the Porte would not be responsible for the consequences arising from popular discontent.

This is interpreted as a threat, and taken in connection with recent unofficial hints, is supposed to imply the possibility of massacres of Christians in Turkey. Consequently, the suggestion is made by the embassies that more guardships be sent to protect foreigners here.

Germany's action in withholding a vessel of any type from cooperating with the international fleet continues to be criticized by foreigners, who hold that even a small gunboat would have been sufficient to show the German flag, and would have had more effect on the Sultan than the German Ambassador's alleged repeated advice to the Sultan to accept Europe's demands.

It is stated that the Sultan does not intend to oppose the seizure of islands. He will let the Powers hold them until they are tired.

Amsterdam, Nov. 24.—Admiral Rittor von Jedina presided today at a further meeting of the commanders of the international fleet at the Hague. It is understood that the fleet will not sail until tomorrow. No shore leave is given to the crews.

London, Nov. 25.—The Standard, commenting on the Turkish situation, says, although diplomats still express the hope that the Sultan will yield to the demands of the Powers, it is now generally recognized that a naval demonstration is incapable of producing the desired effect. If the Sultan is obstinate, the combined squadron cannot seize any port on the mainland, like Smyrna or Salonica, and it certainly is not strong enough to force the Dardanelles against determined opposition.

Beyond seizing islands like Mytilene and Lemnos, it can only establish a blockade which at best would be ineffective, since it is not within the compass of the flag of any power which is not taking part in the demonstration.

It is recognized, therefore, that if the Sultan refuses to yield to the show of naval force it will be necessary to use stronger measures. In that case the Powers will, it is understood, give a mandate to Austria to take such military steps as are necessary to secure the proposed reforms in Macedonia. Such a necessity should arise there is no danger of Germany refusing to join in the mandate, since it is the policy of Germany in the Near East to follow the lead of Austria.

The Constantinople correspondent of the Times, referring to the supposed threat of a massacre of Christians, says he does not think it likely there will be a massacre in Constantinople or anywhere else unless the naval demonstration proves the signal for a rising in Macedonia, in which case anything is possible.

IBSEN DYING.

Poet and Dramatist Unconscious and Hope Is Abandoned.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, Nov. 25.—A despatch to the Times from Christiania says that Henrik Ibsen, the poet and dramatist, who has been ill for some time, is unconscious and is not expected to recover.

LIVED TO SEE DAUGHTER WED.

Marriage, Hastened, Took Place an Hour Before Parent Died.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Nov. 24.—Just an hour after the marriage of his daughter had been solemnized, Joseph R. Laughey, a wealthy retired coke operator, died at his home in Dawson. Mr. Laughey's death was not unexpected. His only wish had been to live long enough to see his daughter married. The wedding took place at 8:30 o'clock last evening at the family home in Dawson. The daughter, Miss Emma E. Laughey, had just returned from Pasadena, Cal., where she had been spending the fall. She was married to Earl G. Miller of Carmichael, Pa.

TWENTY SHOTS IN SYRIAN ROW.

Exp Expert Nightsticks Soon Suppress Boding Riot on Washington Street.

There was another row in the Syrian quarter in the lower part of the city last night, but it happened that a sufficient number of policemen were near to quell before any of the fighters had been hurt. Ever since the trouble started in the Syrian quarter six months ago, cops have been kept on duty at the lower end of Washington street, where most of the Syrians live.

The cops were all on the job last night when a fusillade began opposite a Syrian restaurant at 83 Washington street. The moment the shooting started men poured from the nearby hallways as if they had been waiting for the fight to begin. Twenty shots or more were fired in rapid succession before the cops began to scatter the fighters with their night sticks.

Six prisoners were taken. A search failed to bring to light any one who suffered from a bullet wound. Two of the prisoners had slight cuts on the hands. They made counter charges against each other, one accusing the other of using a revolver, the other accusing him of wielding a knife.

George Azza of 105 Washington street and Constantine Kahil had guns. The last named had his revolver hidden in his bootleg when he was arrested. He said he had to come in this city and that he lived in New Haven.

None of the prisoners would make any statement, but the police took it for granted that the row was another fracas over the differences that exist in the Syrian Church in this city.

ARMY AND NAVY FOOTBALL GAME.

Special Train via Pennsylvania Railroad for the Army and Navy Football Game at Princeton, Dec. 2. Special trains will leave New York, via Pennsylvania Railroad, at 10:25 and 11:25 A. M., returning through to Princeton, and returning immediately after the game. The trains will be good on special train and all regular trains will be sold at the rate of 50 cents from New York.—Ad.

The Train of the Century.

The Twentieth Century Limited, the 18-hour train between New York and Chicago by the New York Central Lines, leaves New York 8:30 P. M., arrives Chicago 8:30 next morning—a night's ride.—Ad.

BRIDE DYING FROM HAZING.

Pool Friends Subject Young Couple to Treatment That Causes Serious Shock.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Nov. 24.—Mrs. Frank Felker, the one day bride of a popular young man, is dying from the effects of hazing last night.

Felker was married at Danville, Ill., Wednesday and brought his bride home last night. They left the train about two miles west of the city, where a carriage was waiting and drove to their home on the south side, but before they could enter the house a crowd of friends seized the bridegroom and bound him fast to a tree.

The bride evaded the hazing, but was found a short time afterward in the house of a neighbor, where she was hiding behind a bed. She, too, was seized and placed on the drape beside her husband, both being bound hand and foot. In this position they were hauled through the principal streets of the city, the hazers yelling like maniacs. The police made no attempt to interfere.

At the new home of the couple the hazers turned everything upside down, placing the kitchen furniture in the parlor and the parlor furniture in the kitchen, filling the stoves with dishes and bric-a-brac and otherwise putting the establishment in confusion.

CONVICTS BLOW UP PRISON GATE.

Kill Guard, Wound Others and Escape—All Recaptured—One Will Die.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Nov. 24.—Five armed convicts at the State Penitentiary killed Guard Charles Clay, fatally wounded Capt. Allison and shot Deputy Warden See in the arm, after which they blew up the front gate of the prison and made their escape in a wagon which they seized, using a driver as a shield against the bullets of the pursuers.

Clay was killed at the big gate. After he was shot Harry Vaughan, the ring leader, placed a charge of dynamite under it, blowing the gate to pieces. The convicts darted through and ran south, pursued by guards. A block from the prison they seized a wagon and, whipping up the horses, drove rapidly into the country. A well directed shot dropped one of the convicts from the wagon. A running fight followed and all the convicts were recaptured. Vaughan was shot and recaptured. His wounds are mortal.

MIXED HIS HOLIDAY DATES.

Has Consolidated His Story of a Trader Who Just Missed Going Broke.

A Thanksgiving story of undoubted veracity, even out of the Consolidated Exchange yesterday. A prominent trader had a balance sheet on Thursday morning showing a considerable sum due the Clearing House. The trader has means, and could have met the debt without difficulty, but failed to show up when the exchange opened.

He would have been sold out under the rules and suspended if one of his friends hadn't called him up just in time. According to the friend, who told the story afterward, the broker was sitting in an easy chair smoking a pipe before the fire and reading a book, just how this could be ascertained over the telephone doesn't appear. At any rate, the broker was warned of his peril.

"Why, I thought it was Thanksgiving," he exclaimed.

GIRL IN JAIL WITH MEN.

Virginia Judge Finds Shocking Conditions in Woodstock.

RICHMOND, Va., Nov. 24.—At Woodstock today Circuit Judge Thomas W. Harrison of Winchester, presiding over the November term of the Circuit Court of Shenandoah county, left the bench and made a personal inspection of the Woodstock Jail, where he found pretty Maude Nicholson, 18 years old, recently sentenced for three months for shoplifting, herded with several other girls. The girl pleaded with the judge and he took her own recognizance. The judge immediately issued a rule against the Board of County Supervisors to show cause why a proper jail should not be erected.

It is said that it has been the habit for some time of the insufficient accommodations in the Woodstock Jail, not to enforce the separation of the sexes.

DISBURSEMENT FOR GRAVES.

Accused Brooklyn Lawyer May Be Prohibited From Practicing For Five Years.

The report of County Judge Walter H. Jaycox of Suffolk county as referee in the charges made by the Brooklyn Bar Association against Horace Graves, a well known lawyer, have been filed in the office of the Appellate Division in Brooklyn and will come up for confirmation on Monday. It was alleged that Mr. Graves, while acting as agent for Mrs. Elizabeth D. White of 570 Quincy street, collected rents amounting to \$438, but only turned over \$100. The referee finds that Mr. Graves failed to give any satisfactory explanation of the transactions, and he recommends that he be prohibited from practicing law for five years.

Fifty Saved by Breeches Buoy.

CHICAGO, Nov. 24.—The passengers and crew of the steamer Argo, fifty persons, faced death this afternoon at Holland, Mich., where the steamer went ashore. All were taken off by a breeches buoy except Capt. Stearns, who remained on board. The passengers included a number of women and children.

Thus the Great Smith Family Grows.

CHICAGO, Nov. 24.—John Anderson had his name changed yesterday to John Smith. There were so many Andersons that he wouldn't be missed, and so many Smiths that one more wouldn't make much difference, argued Judge Walker in granting the request.

E. C. Jameson's Auto Driver Arrested.

Edwin C. Jameson, president of the Globe and Rutgers Fire Insurance Company, was riding north on Broadway in his automobile last night when his driver was arrested for speeding at Sixty-fourth street. The driver, who remained on board, was taken to the police station, where Mr. Jameson gave bail for him.

Morgan Appoints Monte Cutler.

State Superintendent of Elections George W. Morgan yesterday appointed Monte Cutler, a newspaper man, secretary to the department, in place of Frank Hughes, who recently resigned.

Russell Sage Keeps to the House.

Russell Sage is slightly indisposed and for several days has remained at his home, 632 Fifth avenue. Dr. John P. Mann, a physician, said last night that Mr. Sage was in excellent health.

Insist upon having Burnett's Vanilla.—Ad.

IT WILL BE A LOCK CANAL.

THE FINAL DECISION TO BE ANNOUNCED BY DEC. 15.

Foreign Members of the Board of Consulting Engineers, Who All Voted for a Sea Level Canal, Are Disgruntled and Feel Their Work Was Wasted.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—The foreign members of the board of consulting engineers on the Panama Canal, five in all, who to a man were in favor of a sea level canal when the vote was taken last week, may seek to arrange with the members of the board who voted for a lock canal some compromise plan for constructing the waterway. The sharp criticism of the decision for a sea level canal, which involves from five to ten years more time and millions more dollars, has set the foreign contingent on edge. What hurts most of all, it seems, is the classification of a sea level plan under the head of the "foreign canal," and the lock waterway as the American canal. The question as to what kind of canal will be built has already been sufficiently answered, and it is now practically certain that a lock canal, of an undetermined level, will be constructed.

The foreign members of the board are fully aware of this plan, and they have a feeling that their work has gone to waste. It is known that one or two of the members from across the ocean would be very willing to devise what would be called a compromise plan, which would provide for a canal of minimum level, possibly thirty or forty feet. This idea is being discussed and may be carried out.

The board held its last meeting to-day and next week the foreign members will sail for home. The American members will leave Washington soon and within a week will be in Panama. The entire board, accompanied by Secretary Taft, went to the White House to-day and bade farewell to the President.

One of the most interesting features of the work of the board of consulting engineers is that the minority report, which President Roosevelt requested, will be far more useful than the report of the majority. Alfred Noble, chief engineer of the Pennsylvania Railroad, has the task of preparing the minority report. Mr. Noble is one of the most prominent engineers of the board, and the report which he will prepare will practically determine the lines upon which the plans for the canal will be drawn.

This report will be considered by the commission and Chief Engineer Stevens. It will possibly be revised on some points and a number of changes will probably be made, but as a whole the report will guide the commission toward an ultimate decision. The majority report will be received, but if the present plan to build a lock canal is adopted the majority report will not figure much in future discussions. The preliminary reports, both majority and minority, will be prepared by December 15. There will probably be future meetings of the American members here, and the next meeting of the foreign members will be held in January, probably in Brussels.

While neither of the reports of the consulting board has been made public, some of the figures and estimates have become known. It is shown that if a sea level canal is built it will be necessary to excavate 102,088,174 cubic yards of solid rock. This is 17,848,640 cubic yards more than will be necessary if a lock canal, such as is favored in the minority report, is adopted as the best type. To excavate these 17,848,640 cubic yards of rock, which are below sea level, would take five years, and that after the rock above had been taken out and carried away. The cost would surely be \$3 a cubic yard, thus making the total extra cost on this point alone practically \$520,000,000.

REVIVAL PARADE IN PATERSON.

3,000 Persons Take Part Despite Rain—Meeting Follows Burlesque Show.

PATERSON, N. J., Nov. 24.—Three thousand evangelists, led by the Rev. J. W. Chapman and accompanied by a brass band, paraded through Market and Main streets from the Market Street Methodist Episcopal Church to the Bijou to-night, concluding the demonstration with a midnight service at the burlesque playhouse. It was the climax to the first week of evangelistic work in this city and was by far the most remarkable demonstration yet held.

Fully as many women as men took part in the parade. A light rain did not deter the women, as the churches they were visiting were in the streets. The women wore "Oh, Will Be Glory" and men and women who lined the sidewalks joined in the ranks. The Bijou was too small to hold a half of the throng that fought for admission and a big squad of police was kept busy. A burlesque show had just been concluded when the evangelists arrived and took possession of the stage. The evangelists were invited to take seats in the boxes. They did so and joined in the singing of hymns. Dr. Chapman led the service, urging upon his hearers the necessity of resisting the temptations to sin. Dr. Chapman said that the success of the evangelistic movement had far exceeded his expectations. "I am sanguine," he said, "that the whole city will be won in the movement."

PARADE IN JERSEY CITY, TOO.

Over 1,000 men and women marched last night from the Parly Baptist Memorial Church, in Grove street, Jersey City, to the Bon Ton Theatre, on a lively parade, where they joined 800 more persons who had gathered to attend a late service conducted by Dr. Chapman and his band of revivalists.

The national staff band of Salvation Army headquarters headed the procession. The soldiers sang as they marched along the muddy pavement. In the line were ministers, laymen, young society girls and Salvation Army women. Many carried umbrellas. Several evangelists were kept busy inviting late pedestrians lined up along the curb to drop in line, and many accepted the invitation.

The parade reached the theatre at 11 o'clock, half an hour after the show closed. The evangelists performed a lively service in the service from their hiding places behind the scenes. Dr. Walton read the Bible lesson and made a short address. The meeting closed at midnight.

The China-Japanese Negotiations.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

PEKIN, Nov. 24.—The reply of the Chinese Government to the Japanese propositions as to the Manchurian railways and other matters growing out of the Russo-Japanese treaty is expected to be made on Wednesday or Thursday. The plenipotentiaries were in session to-day from 9 to 6 P. M. Prince Ching was absent owing to sickness.

NEW WASHINGTON EXPRESS.

Via Pennsylvania Railroad, beginning November 26; leave New York at 5:55 P. M., arrive Washington 10:27 P. M., arrive Chicago 11:30 P. M. Parlor cars, dining car and coaches.—Ad.

MUTINY AT SEVASTOPOL.

Chief of Staff There Murdered and Other Officers Wounded.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 24.—It is reported that the Black Sea fleet has mutinied. Part of the Sevastopol garrison has mutinied and killed the chief of staff and wounded other officers.

RUSSIAN INVESTORS SCARED.

Many Selling Securities and Declare They Will Leave the Country.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, Nov. 24.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Standard says that uneasiness has reawakened and is causing irrational flight among investors, a number of whom have gone to the banks insisting upon selling their securities, whatever the market price, and buying letters of credit with the proceeds. Several declared their intention of quitting Russia and residing abroad indefinitely.

The correspondent ascribes the scare to the strikes at Moscow and Rostoff and the troubles brewing at Sevastopol. The strikes at Moscow are numerous, although of minor importance, but they are universal at Rostoff, where all the mills and shops are closed and traffic stopped.

Official telegrams from Sevastopol have caused the gravest apprehensions. The correspondents suggest that the fears are possibly colored by panic, but assert that the conditions at the port are unquestionably extremely disquieting.

JEW FUND NEARS \$500,000.

\$504,900 Added Yesterday. A Third \$200,000 From Philadelphia.

With subscriptions of \$55,570.06 added yesterday to the fund for the relief of the Jews in Russia, the total amount turned over to the general committee is \$708,064.29. Philadelphia sent a third \$200,000, Cleveland a third contribution of \$50,000, Pittsburgh added \$20,000, Providence (R. I.), a second \$1,000, the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith added \$2,000, Boston \$5,000, the Forward Association \$1,000, Toronto, Canada, \$2,000.

Jacob Schiff yesterday received the following cable from Sir Samuel Montagu: "Comm. about November 20, by telegraph or mail to telegraph and letters. Rothschild and self telegraphing again through British Diplomatic channels."

To date Mr. Schiff has sent nearly \$300,000 to Lord Rothschild for distribution.

The first district of the B'nai B'rith, which includes New York and New England, pledged itself to contribute \$5,000. Already double that amount has been raised by the order despite the fact that many members have made private subscriptions.

TWO THOUSAND STILL ON STRIKE.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 24.—The Ministry of Commerce and Labor has issued the first table of strike statistics, which shows that 210,000 workmen obeyed the order to strike on November 15 and that 10,000 remained out after the strike had been officially declared the public school on November 20. To-day, the table shows, 23,000 men are on strike in St. Petersburg and 51,620 in Moscow.

BALEFUR HAS NOT RESIGNED.

British Premier Likely to Stay in Office Until End of Year.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, Nov. 24.—No official announcement followed the meeting of the Cabinet to-day, but it is evident that the Ministry will not resign immediately.

Custom prescribes, in the event of a decision to abandon office, that the Prime Minister ask an audience of the sovereign without delay to acquaint him of the intention. Prime Minister Balfour, after the meeting did not ask the King, but left London for the week end.

The solution of the crisis is still a matter of conjecture. It is generally believed that Mr. Balfour will hold on for the remainder of the year and dissolve Parliament early in January without a meeting of that body. Another Cabinet meeting is fixed for December 1.

FILIPINO BOY KILLS TEACHER.

American Victim's Wife, Also a Teacher, Is Wounded.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

MANTLA, Nov. 24.—Clarence Allen, principal of the public school at Ormoc, was stabbed and killed this week by a fifteen-year-old Filipino boy, a pupil in the school and a member of a prominent family of the town. Allen's wife, who is a teacher in the school, was slightly wounded. The killing occurred at the school while Allen was assisting his wife to control the pupils in the room of which she had charge.

The boy was arrested, but a native justice of the peace released him, fixing bail at a small sum. The prisoner has since been rearrested and is held without bail.

The American colony is a source of trouble, which is denounced as the outcome of a political feud in which the parents of the boy murderer are leaders. Vice-Governor Ide to-day directed the local authorities to prosecute the case without delay.

It is unofficially reported that residents of the village had stoned the school house.

MAY START OCEAN RATE WAR.

Hamburg-American Line Quits the Transatlantic Agreement.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

BERLIN, Nov. 24.—As a result of the quarrel between the Hamburg-American and North German Lloyd Steamship companies the former has withdrawn from the transatlantic combination and will probably cancel its agreements with the North German Lloyd in reference to the Cuban, Mexican and China services. The action of the Hamburg-American Company is likely to break up the Atlantic pool, leading to a rate war.

YELLOW FEVER SPREADS.

Two New Cases Discovered in Havana—One American Stricken.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

HAVANA, Nov. 24.—Two new cases of yellow fever were discovered to-day. One of the patients is an American, who was removed from the same store whence Mabel Israel, the young American girl, who died from the disease on Tuesday, was removed. It is understood that the other patient was taken from a hotel.

Thus far there has been a total of sixteen cases.

Deerfoot Farm Sales.

Made of the tender meat of little pigs and choice steaks. You have never tasted perfect sausage unless you have tried them. Beware of imitations.—Ad.

HE HASN'T INDORSED PARSONS.

THE PRESIDENT'S ATTITUDE ON THE COUNTY CHAIRMANSHIP.

He Desires Only That the Man Selected Shall Be Clean and Independent and Capable of Bringing to His Support All the Honest Republicans of New York

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—Rumors that President Roosevelt has indorsed the candidacy of Congressman Herbert E. Parsons for the chairmanship of the New York county Republican committee, which seem to have been purposely circulated, are not true. The President has indorsed nobody. While circumstances involving the good of the party may convince the President that he should take a more active part than he is taking in the New York political situation, his present attitude is that he should occupy a neutral position at this time, going only as far as to assist in a general way by his advice in the reorganization of the party in his State.

There has been much misunderstanding of the policy which the President is pursuing in connection with the selection of the county committee's chairman. It has been told in a Washington despatch to THE SUN that he regards this office as the key to the State situation. According to those who are acquainted with what has passed between the President and New York Republican leaders in the last ten days, Mr. Roosevelt is anxious to have as the county committee's chairman a man of firm convictions, independent, clean and capable of bringing to his support all the honest Republicans in New York. He is represented as not being in favor of a man who is bound hand and foot to any particular faction.

This does not mean that a candidate who is indorsed by any of the big leaders would be regarded as a factional candidate. On the contrary, the indorsement of Congressman J. Van Vechten Olcott by Senator Platt is not regarded by the President as making him the choice of any faction, for the President believes that Mr. Olcott is just the type of man who would make a splendid leader in New York county and an excellent head of the county committee, and the fact that Senator Platt has commended him is taken as evidence that he is the kind of man the party needs to assist in its reorganization. The idea of the President, as it is understood here, is that the county committee's chairman should not be subject to that sort of bossism which would make him merely a figurehead and the representative of one particular leader or group of leaders. It is maintained that in the President's opinion he should be able and willing to serve the party as a whole.

There were rumors to-day that Congressman Parsons was Mr. Odell's man. These created some surprise in Washington and set Republicans to wondering whether Mr. Odell had been responsible for the announcement of Mr. Parsons's candidacy. It is certain that the President and those here who are keeping in touch with the New York party situation had no suspicion that Mr. Odell was behind Mr. Parsons. They regarded Mr. Parsons as a very independent sort of person, inclined on occasion to be too independent, it was said, and not the man to make a compact with a politician like the chairman of the Republican State committee. If Mr. Parsons is Mr. Odell's selection he forgot to mention that when he was here this week, and Mr. Odell has not made it known to party leaders in Washington that he wants Mr. Parsons chosen. Should the wishes of those in the national capital who have the interests of the Republican party at heart be followed by the members of the New York county committee no man who is merely an Odell figurehead or the obedient servant of any boss will get the chairmanship of that organization.

Efforts have been made to get the President to express a preference for some New York Republican whose name has been suggested for chairman of the county committee, but he has declined to do so. The most he has said is that certain men were of the type that should be chosen. The President is evidently of the opinion that Congressman Parsons fitted that type, but it is said, there was no idea in the President's mind at the time that opinion was formed that Mr. Parsons was the candidate of a mere faction. Among the half dozen or more men prominent in New York county politics whose names have been brought to the President's attention in connection with the efforts to select the head of the county committee, he has, it is understood, named these as conforming to the type which he has defined as necessary to the requirements of the office: J. Van Vechten Olcott, John Hedges and William G. Cohen.

The opinion in administration circles, which may be taken to reflect President Roosevelt's views, is that if an able man, capable of bringing about him all the best elements of the Republican party in New York county, becomes chairman of the county committee, the work of improving the conditions with which the party in the State at large is confronted will be greatly simplified, as the State organization is so dependent upon the county organization to work contrary to its policies. Once the county committee is formed on principles that will commend support and respect, the matter of bettering the State organization, it is maintained, can be taken up.

According to the view in Republican party circles here, the President's opinion above would probably be able to make the county committee all that it should be from a party standpoint.

McCaddon Case Again Argued.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, Nov. 24.—Horace Avory, K. C., addressed the magistrate in the Bow street extradition court to-day, in defence of Joseph T. McCaddon, the circus proprietor, who is under arrest on a French warrant accusing him of fraudulent bankruptcy. Mr. Avory contended that McCaddon was charged against him under the British bankruptcy laws the case would be dismissed. The magistrate reserved his decision till Monday.

W. J. Bryan at Pekin.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

PEKIN, Nov. 24.—Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bryan, with their son, William, and daughter, Grace, arrived in Pekin at 7 o'clock to-day. They will make their residence in their car.

Sir John Scott Burdon-Sanderson Dead.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LOXWOOD, Nov. 24.—Sir John Scott Burdon-Sanderson, a noted medical authority, who was regius professor of medicine at Oxford University from 1866 to 1904, died to-day.

EQUITABLE OUT OF ST. LOUIS.

Building Leased for 99 Years and Safe Deposit Co. Sold to Local Company.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 24.—The Equitable Life Assurance Society has leased its ten story building, Sixth and Locust streets, to a local syndicate for ninety-nine years, on a basis of a valuation of \$1,250,000. The Missouri Safe Deposit Company, on the first floor, has been sold to a company of local bankers and capitalists.

In recent litigation relative to the affairs of the Safe Deposit Company it was shown that this business originally belonged to the Hyde estate and that it was sold to the Equitable Life Assurance Society for half a million.

MOTHER AND FIVE SLAIN.

Husband and Father, Thought to Be Insane, Under Arrest.

INDEPENDENCE, Ia., Nov. 24.—Fleeing from the home in which his wife and five children were murdered with a sledgehammer, William McWilliams, a supposed madman, was arrested here to-night, charged with the deed.

The children range from 3 to 18 years. Although McWilliams strongly denies his guilt, circumstances point strongly to him. A suit of clothes, which he discarded before leaving the farm, has been found dripping with blood.

Evidently the mother had been killed while preparing the noon meal, for when the bodies were found food was on the stove cooking. Her skull was crushed. Then she had been savagely attacked with a knife. After her murder the children had evidently been called in one by one and murdered in a similar manner.

BABY KILLED IN WRECK.

Torn From Mother's Arms—Engineer Dies From His Injuries.

BOSTON, Nov. 24.—A passenger train from Clinton to Boston collided with a freight train near Weymouth station on the Boston and Maine Railroad this afternoon, killing a baby and an engineer, and seriously injuring four others.

Pauline Adams, aged 1 year, daughter of Ernest Adams of Worcester, was torn from her mother's arms by the impact and was crushed to death in the debris. The mother was injured internally and severely cut. John Clifford, the passenger engineer, died in an hour from his hurts.

The accident is believed to have been due to an open switch.

CADETS FIRED FOR HAZING.

Ice Water and Battery Make Victim Unconscious and Nearly Kill Him.

CHICAGO, Nov. 24.—Eleven cadets were dismissed from the Culver (Ind.) Military Academy yesterday for hazing. One of the students made the following written statement:

"The hazers put Cadet Fee in a tub of ice water and placed a dry battery with one of